

# Los Angeles County Commission on Local Governmental Services

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#### **MINUTES**

March 3, 2009
500 West Temple Street
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Hearing Room 374-A
Los Angeles, California 90012

Chairperson Kelley called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**:

#### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 3, 2009**

On Motion of Commissioner Leiga, seconded by Commissioner Calhoun, the February 3, 2009 minutes were approved as presented with the abstention of Commissioners Epstein and Patricia Gray who did not attend the meeting.

#### **COMMISSION VACANCIES**

The following vacancies were reported:

- <u>First Supervisorial District</u> Chairperson Kelley reported that a letter of recommendation was received and is currently under review.
- <u>Fourth Supervisorial District</u> Commissioner Patricia Gray reported that she will be working with the fourth district to appoint a candidate to the Commission.
- <u>Mayor, City of Los Angeles</u> Chairperson Kelley reported that he will contact Commissioner Burman regarding the status of the appointment.
- <u>President, Los Angeles City Council</u> Chairperson Kelley reported that President, Los Angeles City Council, has identified a possible candidate.

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#### **COMMISSION PROJECT STATUS:**

#### Real Estate Update:

Vice Chairperson Wilhelm reported the following:

 A meeting has been scheduled with Mr. John Edmisten, Chief Executive Office, Facilities and Asset Management Administration, to discuss the Real Estate Asset Management Project in further detail. A report of his meeting with Mr. Edmisten will be provided to the Commission at the next regular meeting.

#### Taxi Cab Task Force Report

Task Force Vice Chair Ponder reported the following:

- He is currently working with Alan Huynh, Task Force Intern, who is assisting with researching the issues of taxi drivers' background check.
- The Transportation for Hire Task Force is looking into adding two new interns to provide assistance with the task force.
- Background check data will be provided to the Commission at its next Commission meeting.
- The task force intends to produce preliminary recommendations for the Board of Supervisors regarding possible improvements to the transportation for hire system in third guarter 2009.
- The Transportation for Hire Task Force is scheduled to reconvene in May 2009.

#### Solid Waste Management

Vice Chairperson Wilhelm reported the following:

- Conversion technologies are an array of emerging processes capable of converting post-recycling residual solid waste into useful products and chemicals, green fuels like ethanol and biodiesel, and clean, renewable energy.
- The benefits of conversion technologies are the ability to manage residual municipal solid waste, reducing waste exporting, and reducing green house gas emissions by reducing disposal, transportation, and fossil fuel usage.
- Commissioner Waite recommended to encourage cities replace the transfer stations with conversion technologies that minimize landfill disposal.
- Commissioner Leiga stated that the following four cities have already adopted resolution to support conversion technologies: Calabasas, Glendale, Lancaster and Long Beach.

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Commissioner Leiga further stated that the Commission can provide public relations assistance by promoting the quality of the conversion technology program and its benefit.

 Chairperson Kelley requested to move this item for further discussion to the next regular meeting.

# MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR A FUTURE MEETING)

Vice Chairperson Wilhelm reported the following:

- A proposed Commission project on "green buildings." The purpose of the project would be to give decision-makers at various stages of the policy-making and policy-implementing process the opportunity to meet and discuss "green" development policies and programs with one another in an environment free from vendors, NGOs and other third parties intent on shaping policy outcomes.
- Commissioner Calhoun mentioned that a city in Los Angeles completed a book on how they converted "Green Building Standards." She further stated that other cities could potentially adopt what the city of Los Angeles has implemented.
- Chairperson Kelley requested to move this item for further discussion to the next regular meeting.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

#### ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT
Tyler K. Kelley
Thomas Wilhelm
Algird Leiga
Alexander Ponder
Barry Waite
Barbara Calhoun

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT
Gordon Gray
Mark Burman
David Spence
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## GUEST(S)

None

### **STAFF**

George Britton, Board of Supervisors Mireya Rivera, Board of Supervisors